ARMY BILL

Meeds Modification in Sections Relating to Artillery, Says Mr. Scott.

BELIEVES IN THE SEPARATION

Of the Coast and Field Artillery Latter Should be Commanded by the Chief of Artillery-Lengthy Paper Submitted to Committee on Military Affairs.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.-Senator N B. Scott recently appeared before the committee on military affairs, of which Senator Hawley is chairman, to urge a few modifications to the army reorgan-

After careful study of the question and after consultation with various army officers, the senator is of the opinion that certain sections of the bill relating to the artillery branch of the service should be amended. He is in favor of the complete separation of the coast and field artillery, and believes that the latter arm of the service should be commanded by an officer to be known as the chief of artillery, who shall be appointed from one of the fifteen brigadler generals provided for by the bill. He is also in favor of increasing the gay of first class artillery gunners to that of engineer troops. The senator submitted a lengthy paper substantia ting his suggestions modifying the bill The suggestions submitted are as fol-Ibws:

His Suggestions.

O'I beg to present for your consideration, as well as of that of the commitfications which have suggested them selves to me in the regulations of the artillery arm of the army as it now stands in the new reorganization bill These modifications of the bill. I think are needed and would be satisfactory to every artillery officer in the service "First-The complete separation of

the coast and field artillery.

"Second-A chief of artillery who shall command the coast artillery. He should be one of the fifteen brigadier generals named in the bill.

"Third-Pay of engineer troops for the first calss artillery gunners.

Field and Coast Artillery.

"In favor of the first modification I would invite your attention to the dissimilarity of the work of field and coast artillery. The former is mobile, the latter fixed; the former mayes with the army in the field and has a place on the battle line; the latter is attached to certain definite portions of the coast line and bears a similar relation to the coast forts that the men of the navy bear to the war ships. Indeed, wa ships are, in one sense, floating fortresses. There is, therefore, such a wide divergence in duties and spheres of action in war and in peace between the field artillery and the coast artillery, it would seem advisable to permanently separate the two branches. The field artillery, as a part of the mobile army is adapted to regimental organization as was the practice during the civil war, but the coast artillery, assigned to the coast forts, is no more fitted for the regimental organization than the navy Ninety per cent of the officers of the artillery agree to this view. If they had a voice it would be for a regimental organization for the field artillery and a corps organization for the coast artillery.

Must Have Trained Men.

The argument for a corps organizathe same as would apply in sub-dividing the working force of a large manufacturing establishment. Where we have a distinct branch of the work, the personnel assigned to that work should be organized strictly with respect to the work to be done. For the manufacture of iron we must have a trained body of iron workers, with their own trained superintendents and overseers. would be fatal to high class work to transfer from time to time ship carpen-ters to the iron work department of our large ship yards, or the reverse. It is just as fatal to high class work to transfer coast artillerymen to field artillery, and the reverse.

"Again, it would be absurd to have regimental organization for the iron vorkers in the ship yards; it is just as



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neaningless for coast artillery. s not to say that when the occasion demands the fron workers may not be organized into companies, battations and regiments for the business of fighting when war comes. Just so does the navy when it has to resort to landing operations; and just so could a corps of artillery do if required for riot duty. That is, for the temporary purpose of fight-ing as infantry they should resort to the standard infantry formation, but the Iron workers, navy and coast artillery, for the specific work regularly entrusted to them, have absolutely nothing to do with the regiment.

As to Artillery Regiment.

"General Miles says that the regi-mental organization fosters esprit du corps. It does in the infantry and cavalry, perhaps, but it does not in the coast artillery. By the very conditions of its service, an artillery regiment is never together as a unit. The colonel has absolutely no control of the instruction or discipline of his regiment; his has no power beyond that he may enlov as post commander. He cannot is sue an order to an officer of his regi ment at a separate post ten miles from him. The regimental organization breeds contempt and ridicule rather than respect and high spirit.

"Therefore, I would urge that section five be medified to read: That all officors in each of the two branches shall be placed on separate lists in respect to promotion, according to seniority in the saveral grades. For this purpose officers shall be assigned to coast or to field artiflery according to their special aptitude for the respective services.

Chief of Artillery.

lery corps shall consist of a chief of and divided it among others. artillery, who shall be selected and denels of artillery, and who, while serving as chief of artillery, shall have the sistance.

as much to learn as the 'gunner' artillery. The laborer is worthy of his hire in this case, if ever."

ANOTHER REVOLUTION

Breaks Out in Venezuela-National Asphalt Company Disposessed of Property-Appeal to Our Country. NEW YORK, Dec. 19 .- The Tribune prints the following.

A cable message received at the office of the National Asphalt Company from its agent in Venezuela, announced that a revolution had broken out in that country. No details were contained in the message.

The revolution, it is said, is probably the outcome of an attempt on the part of the president and cabinet of Venerucla to deprive American corporations of their property and rights.

The National Asphalt Company will be one of the principal sufferers from The company owns large concessions and mining titles in the state of Bermudez, Venezuela. The company has been in actual possession of the Bermudez Asphalt lake for twelve years, and in this time it has founded he village of Guanaco, and erected buildings, shops and a railroad.

Several attempts have been made by the government of Venezuela to cancel the company's concessions, but these attempts have always falled.

At 4 o'clock on December 13, President Castro personally told United States Minister Loomis, at Caracas, that two government commissions had proved the company's right to its property. At "Section six of this bill, I urge shall 6 o'clock on the same day it is alleged be modified so as to read that the artii- the president seized the entire property

General Avery D. Andrews, vice prestailed by the President from the colo- ident of the company, has appealed to the United States government for as-



SPOTTED VELVET WAIST.

Waists of velvet and velveteen are very fashlonably this season. They are both plain and figured, the pretti est among the latter being perhaps those with large spots. The stylish model shown above has black spots upon a white ground and is worn with a black velvet stock and belt. The front has a number of tucks extending to the bust line and the sleeves are finished by two straps with little gold buckles.

rank, pay and allowances of a brigadler general of the army, whose duties shall be prescribed by the secretary of war; fourteen colonels, etc., and in section one, after 'fifteen brigadier generals,' insert 'one of whom shall be selected service and shall have command of the coast artillry with a title of chief of ar-

the necessity of having the question of coast defences under an artillery officer. As a rule, department commanders are infantry or cavalry officers and matters pertaining to coast defense, armament and instructions are passed upon by them. This amendment would nsure that the coast artillery would be directed, commanded and governed in all matters of instructions and discipline by one head and with a single aim by an expert coast defender.

Coast Defenses Under Artillery.

"It is of first importance that the subect of coast defenses be under an artillery officer. He should be a general officer and have command of the forces charged with coast defenses. Of course the size of the artillery arm entitles it to a brigadier general. Indeed, with 18,330 men, we should have a major general and brigadier general also. But artillery officers for the present would waive the major general if they could have the const artillery commanded by an artillery brigadier.

"Concerning the pay of artillery gunnors in section seven of this bill, the provision should read: Provided that first class gunners shall receive the pay and allowances of enlisted men of the corps of engineers of like grades; and provided that a first class gunner private of artillery shall receive the pay and allowances of a first class private

of engineers. "There is no reason why those artillerymen who qualify as first class gunners should not receive the pay of the highest class of enlisted men in the service. In order to qualify as gunners of the first class they must be able to use angle measuring instruments, range and position finders, have a knowledge of electricity in telegraphic work, know the signal codes and have facility in their use, have a knowledge of range tables, use of cordage and many me chanical appliances used in moving heavy weights, besides familiarity with all kinds of drills, infantry and artillery. The enlisted man in the army has

AMERICAN OFFICER

Exonerated By French Government From Charges in Paris Paper-Offered Cross of Legation of Honor. PARIS, Dec. 19.-The French government has given the most emphatic de nial to those French papers which tried "I desire to invite your attention to to involve the American embassy in the Paris disclosures in connection with the United States war department's knowledge of French gun secrets, by offering the cross of the Legation of Honor to Lieutenant W. S. Sims, the former United States naval attache at Paris whom La Presse described as the person guilty of disclosing the gun secrets. When the news was first published here the anti-governmental press attempted to use it as a weapon against the ministry and La Presse accused, anony mously the ex-naval attache of the United States embassy, making the description so distinct that diplomatic circles knew Licutesant Sims was intended. It said, among other things, that "He acted almost openly as a spy for several powers."

The news became public to-day that M. Delcasse, the minister of foreign affairs, had offered the cross of the Legation of Honor to Lieutenant Sims, who is now on board the battleship Ken-As the lieutenant is a governmen official he is unable to accept the honor without the consent of Congress





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FIVE CONGRESSMEN

DIABETES

For West Virginia Under the Reapportionment - Congressman-at-Large Suggestion is Opposed. Third District Casts 12,000 More Votes Than the First.

Whether the Hopkins reapportion ment bill, fixing the membership of the national house of representatives at 357, as at present, passes, or another bill slightly increasing the membership ls successful, West Virginia will get a fifth congressman. The Hopkins bil meets with general favor among congressmen from states whose delega tions are not reduced, but there is vio lent opposition from Ohio, Virginia, In diana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Nebraska, and South Carolina, each which states would lose one representative. The desirability of not increasing the membership of the house arises tives is already crowded, and increased membership would surely mean capitol alterations. Then, too, the house is an unwieldy body already and there are some who think its membership should be decreased.

The house committee on the census has by a vote of 7 to 6, agreed to report the Hopkins bill favorably, but it will not be taken up until after the holiday recess. The following gives the present representation and proposed represen-tation of each state:

States.	Present, Pre
Alabama	9
Arkansas	
California	
Colorado	2
Connecticut	
Delaware	1.0
Florida	9
Georgia	
Idaho	1
Illinois	
Indiana	
Iowa	
Kansas	
Kentucky	
Louisiana	
Maine	
Maryland	
Massachusetts	13
Michigan	
Minnesota	
Mississippi	7
Missouri	15
Montana	
Nebraska	
Nevada	1
New Hampshire	2
New Jersey	8
New York	34
North Carolina	
North Dakota	
Ohio	
Oregon	2
Pennsylvania	30.
Rhode Island	2
South Carolina	7
South Dakota	2
Tennessee	10
Texas	13
Utah	1
Vermont	
Virginia	
Washington	
West Virginia	
Wisconsin	
Wyoming	
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Totals	257
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The bill fixes as the basis of representation a population of 208,868 in each district. The present basis is 173,903; district. The present basis is 173,903; In 1833 it was 14,9111; in 1873 131,425; in 1863, 127,331; in 1853, 93,433; in 1843, 70,680; in 1833, 47,700; in 1823, 49,000; in 1813, 35,000; in 1803, 33,000, and at the beginning, 30,000. As West Virginia's population is 958,500, it is barely enough to give her five representatives on the basis of the Hopkins bill, and not enough to give six on the basis of the other bills which carry with them a slight increase in the numerical strength of the house. One of these bills raises the number of members to 377 and another to 387. By all of these bills Nebraska loses a representative, owing to the loses a representative, owing to the census of 1890 having been padded in that state.

There is developing some opposition to the plan of allowing West Virginia's four congressional districts to remain as they are and make the fifth representative a congressman-at-large. It is argued that the present four districts now show inequalities in the matters of population and voting strength and without consideration of the fifth congressman they ought to be rearranged, and in addition the fact that a congressman-at-large, without a district and practically without constituents, would be a mere figure-head in the house, is cited. as they are and make the fifth repre-

These inequalities of voiling strength are shown by the returns for the late election. Ten years ago the First, Third and Fourth districts cast practically the same number of votes, 40,000 cach, and the Second district about 41,000. At the late election the First district was the tail-ender, led by the Third by no less than 12,009 votes; the Second led the First 2,509 votes; and the Fourth exceeded the First 3,000 votes. The aggregate vote in the four districts for the Republican and Democratic congressional candidates (without the People's and Problition votes which aggregated a small number), was as follows:

 Second district
 53,082

 Third district
 61,904

 Fourth district
 53,223

From this array of figures it will be seen that aside from the fifth congressman it will be necessary to rearrange the present four districts to preserve the desired equality of population and voting strength; and the claim is made that the state can be re-districted into five congressional districts on an excellent geographical basis and all five districts safely Republican.

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STREET CARS COLLIDE.

Number Fatally Injured and Several Seriously Bruised-Caused by Dense

ASHLAND, Ky., Dec. 19.-In a headend collision between two street cars today in this city, three persons were fatally hurt. Five were seriously injured, while half a dozen more sustained severe cuts and bruises.

Fatally injured: MRS. ANNIE G. KERR, Normal, Ky MOTORMAN JOHN SCISCO. MOTORMAN WM. CAMPBELL.

FRANK BRUNNING, county attor-

MRS. JOHN G. PATTON, Catlettsburg, Ky.

EDITOR FRANK FRIEL, of the Ashland Independent; bruised

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SON A dense fog which prevailed during the early hours to-day caused the accident. The cars were nearing the center of the city and were filled with passengers en route to their places of busi-

In addition to those named, half a dozen passengers sustained severe cuts and bruises.

TELEGRAPHIC TIPS.

ST. PETERSBURG-Discussing the Nicaragua canal the Novoye Vremya

ating \$500,000 for the Chillan exhibit at the Pan-American exposition in Buffa-WASHINGTON-The house resolution authorizing the appointment of

VALPARAISO, Chill-The chamber

of deputies has passed a bill appropri-

Congressman Charles A. Boutelle, of Maine, as a captain on the retired list of the navy, has been adopted by LONDON-United States Ambassador Choate denies the report that he is about to resign his post, which report, he says, is based on the belief that the death of his partner, Charles C. Bea-man, would necessitate his return to his

law practice PONTA DEL GADA, Azores Islands -The North German Lloyd steamer, Trier, Captain Von Decken, which sailed from Bremen December 1 for New York, has put in here with her machinery out of order. She has 620 passengers on board.

NEW YORK-An Austrian engineer, William Kress, has invented an air ship which is pronounced to be better than Zeppelin's. The emperor's atten-tion being called to the model he has ST. PETERSBURG-The

St. PETBISBURG-The Novoye Vremya observes that there are evi-dences of discontent in all the armies, including the German, with Field Mar-shal von Waldersee's brutality. The paper supports the demand that each army act henceforth on its own respon-sibility.

CLEVELAND, O.-Harry H. Stewart, time since and brought here, charged with murdering his infant daughter and throwing the body in a sewer, was declared to be insane by a jury in the criminal court yesterday. Stewart will be placed in an asylum.

COLUMBUS, O.—The supreme court has affirmed judgment of the lower courts in the case of Rutherford Platt Hayes, et al, and Scott R. Hayes, et al, vs. James Hunt, administrator. The decision necessitates the sale of Splegel grove, the home of Former President Rutherford B. Hayes, at Fremont, O. NEW HAYEN, Conn.—The report of

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—The report of Mr. Walter Camps, treasurer, of the Yale field corporation, under which head are consolidated the finances of the four main branches of athleties, is made public. The handsome total of receipts for the year was \$68,616. The expenses for all branches of athleties were \$63,656. This leaves a profit of

34,58.
COLUMBUS, O.—Peter Sells, the circus man, was yesterday granted a divorce from his wife on the ground of gross neglect of duly. The matter of alimony and costs was left open, to be settled by agreement among the parties. This decree was the termination of a highly sensational case, which has been heard in the courts here for several weeks.

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eral weeks.

OMAHA, Neb.—A writ of habeas corpus asked for Mayor Kelly, of South Omaha, was to-day denied by the county court. Kelly must now stand trial in the criminal court on a charge of having received bribe money at the hands of Omaha and other brewers as an inducement to permit the saloons of South Omaha to remain open all night and on Sundays.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—In a head-and.

South Omaha to remain open all night and on Sundays.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind,—In a head-end collision yesterday between two electric cars on the Greenfield and Indianapolis Interurban line, near Jim, Ind., Emory Scott and John Glasscock, motormen, were fatally injured. Six passengers were badly hurt. The cars were running at a high rate of speed and the heavy fog prevented the motormen from seeing each other.

MANILA—The Tart commission is still at work on the taufff. Officers here consider that the return of the volunteers will necessiate little abandonment of station and that Congress will provide an immediate increase in the number of regulars. It is believed that many volunteers will re-enlist here if bonuses are offered, the amount to be about equivalent to the expense of equipping and bringing out a recruit.

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